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1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)

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DETAILED ACTION

This communication is responsive to the document filed 6/8/09. Claims 1-12 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 6, 8-12 are independent claims.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tsumagari et al. (2002/0181938) in view of Chadwick (US 7149750).

As per claims 1, 8, 10-11, Tsumagari et al. teach

detecting an identification data item for identifying a predetermined data item from a target data having a plurality of module/pack data respectively including said predetermined data item and said identification data item, the plurality of module data and data included in the module data all being KLV/pack (key, length, data item V) data – pars. 11, 135, 301-302, 543, 545, 549.

signaling to a data-using entity of the predetermined data that said identification data item has been detected – pars. 63, 68, 303, 578.

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wherein the identification data item includes essence mark data indicating a position of a predetermined picture in the predetermined data item, the picture being determined when the predetermined data item is added to the target data – pars. 9 (method which allows the user to write or erase a mark (entry point) at an arbitrary recording position of video data, audio data, and the like as if she placed a bookmark between pages or at an important position while reading a book); 172 (PGN indicates the number of the program where the marker point is present...CN indicates the number of a cell where the marker point is present. MRK_PT indicates a marker point in a target cell...picture point PICT_PT - pars. 172-174; 573-578. However, Tsumagari does not disclose wherein the target data has a MXF format...plurality of module data.

Chadwick discloses KLV metadata object with key, length, and value fields in fig. 2b; MXF Files, items 100, 144; MXF formatter, item 140, fig. 3; col. 3, line 47 to col. 4, line 23; col. 5, lines 5-54; col. 7, line 50 to col. 8, line 54. Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to combine Tsumagari's teaching with Chadwick's teaching in order to allow the exchanging of digital video content as a file/files, thus, the transmitting of these different files would be content independent and does not require the use of a certain machine/equipment thus, providing efficient working practices and improving workflows.

As per claim 2, Tsumagari et al, teach

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in response to a request from said data-using entity, supplying said data-using entity with said predetermined data item from within said module data and said identification data item having been detected in said first routine – pars. 68, 303, 578.

As per claim 3, Tsumagari et al. teach

wherein said second routine signals to said data-using entity only if the identification data item designated beforehand by said data-using entity has been detected in said first routine – pars. 57, 288.

As per claim 4, Tsumagari et al. teach

based on said identification data item, gives said data-using entity the signal designating an attribute of the module data formed by said detected identification data item – pars. 395-403.

As per claim 5, Tsumagari et al. teach

wherein said identification data item is detected from said target data, said target data comprising: first module data including content data as said predetermined data item – pars. 157-159, 190, 315.

and second module data including attribute data of said content data as said predetermined data item – pars. 57, 288, 395.

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As per claims 6, 9, 12, Tsumagari et al. teach

requesting a predetermined data item from a data provider providing said predetermined data item – pars. 124, 405.

receiving said predetermined data item from said data provider in response to the request – pars. 63, 303, 386, 578.

generating module data including said predetermined data item received in said second routine and an identification data item for identifying said predetermined data item – pars. 11, 135, 301-302, 543 (pack header, pack stuffing length, data), 545, 549.

generating data having a plurality of said module data generated in said third routine – pars. 303 (generating results and displaying to users), 349.

wherein the identification data item includes essence mark data indicating a position of a predetermined picture in the predetermined data item, the picture being determined when the predetermined data item is added to the target data - pars. 9 (method which allows the user to write or erase a mark (entry point) at an arbitrary recording position of video data, audio data, and the like as if she placed a bookmark between pages or at an important position while reading a book); 172 (PGN indicates the number of the program where the marker point is present...CN indicates the number of a cell where the marker point is present. MRK_PT indicates a marker point in a target cell...picture point PICT_PT - pars. 172-174; 573-578. However, Tsumagari does not disclose wherein the target data has a MXF format...plurality of module data.

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As per claim 7. Tsumagari et al. teach

receiving attribute data indicating an attribute of content data - pars. 288-289, 532.

generating first module data including said attribute data... as said predetermined data item – pars. 440-441, 495.

wherein said first routine requests said content data from said data provider; receives said content data from said data provider in response to said request – pars. 124, 157-158, 543.

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generates second module data including said content data, which is received in said second routine, as said predetermined data item – pars, 138-142, 380.

generates data having said first module data generated in said sixth routine and of said second module data generated in said third routine – pars. 138-142, 366.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 6/8/09 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Tsumagari seems disclose the newly added limitation at pars. 9 (method which allows the user to write or erase a mark (entry point) at an arbitrary recording position of video data, audio data, and the like as if she placed a bookmark between pages or at an important position while reading a book); 172 (PGN indicates the number of the program where the marker point is present...CN indicates the number of a cell where the marker point is present. MRK_PT indicates a marker point in a target cell...picture point PICT_PT - pars. 172-174; 573-578. However, Tsumagari does not disclose wherein the target data has a MXF format...plurality of module data. The missing in Tsumagari is taught by Chadwick as indicated in the 103 rejection.

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. See MPEP

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§ 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to LINH BLACK whose telephone number is 571-272-4106. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Thurs..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Trujillo can be reached on 571-272-3677. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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